

1 The Honorable Richard A. Jones
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 BAOKE ZHANG,

15 Defendant.

16 NO. CR20-169RAJ

17 ORDER

18 THE COURT has considered the joint motion to proceed with arraignment and
19 guilty plea hearing by video or telephonic hearing, along with all the records and files in
20 this case and the General Orders currently in effect.

21 THE COURT FINDS that the circumstances are as set forth in the parties' motion
22 and that a video or telephonic arraignment and guilty plea hearing may take place as soon
23 as practical because further delays in this case would cause "serious harm to the interests
24 of justice," *see* General Order No. 04-20, for the reasons set forth in the parties' joint
25 motion. Accordingly,

26 THE COURT ORDERS that the parties may proceed with an arraignment and plea
27 hearing by telephone and/or video conference, consistent with current procedures

1 established by this Court, and directs the parties to consult with one another and the
2 criminal-duty magistrate judge to schedule such a hearing at a mutually acceptable date
3 and time.

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5 DATED this 19th day of October, 2020.

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8 The Honorable Richard A. Jones
9 United States District Judge

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